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(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Toshiya Takekuma et al.

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For: GOODS DEALING APPARATUS, GOODS,  
DEALING SYSTEM, GOODS DEALING  
METHOD, AND STORAGE MEDIUM

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Examiner: E. L. Gort

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

Applicants hereby respond to the restriction requirements set forth in the Office  
Action mailed June 9, 2009.

Applicants elect to pursue the claims listed in Group III of the Office Action,  
namely claims 79 and 86, drawn to a method of determining the cost of goods including  
distribution costs.

In view of the above election, claims 71-78, 80-85, and 87-89 are hereby  
canceled.

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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 21776-00050-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: July 2, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

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